

# FACT SHEET ON THE OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM

## A. BENEFICIARIES IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, DECEMBER 31, 2005

Type of benefit	Number of beneficiaries [In thousands]	Monthly rate [In millions]	Average monthly amount
<b>Total</b> <sup>1</sup>	<b>48,434</b>	<b>\$44,352</b>	<b>2/</b>
<b>Retired workers and their family members, total</b>	<b>33,467</b>	<b>32,016</b>	<b>2/</b>
Retired workers	30,455	30,515	\$1,002
Spouses	2,524	1,260	499
Children	488	241	493
<b>Survivors of deceased workers, total</b>	<b>6,653</b>	<b>5,720</b>	<b>2/</b>
Children	1,904	1,249	656
Widowed mothers and fathers with child beneficiaries in their care	178	129	724
Aged widow(er)s, and aged parents	4,358	4,212	966
Disabled widow(er)s	213	130	609
<b>Disabled workers and their family members, total</b>	<b>8,314</b>	<b>6,615</b>	<b>2/</b>
Disabled workers	6,525	6,121	938
Spouses	157	38	245
Children	1,633	456	279

<sup>1</sup> Includes 9 uninsured beneficiaries who were generally aged 72 or over before 1968.

<sup>2</sup> Since the benefit amounts for workers and for the various types of family members and survivors are based on different proportions of the worker's benefit, average monthly amounts for groups of these different kinds of beneficiaries are not meaningful.

## B. SELECTED CATEGORIES OF BENEFICIARIES (INCLUDED ABOVE) IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, DECEMBER 31, 2005

Type of benefit	Number of beneficiaries [In thousands]	Monthly rate [In millions]
Disabled beneficiaries (OASDI)—Workers, disabled children aged 18 and over, and disabled widow(er)s	7,506	\$6,725
Children (OASDI)	4,025	1,946
Student children	127	73
Disabled children aged 18 and over	769	474
Children under age 18	3,130	1,399
Survivor children and widowed mothers and fathers	2,082	1,379
Beneficiaries aged 62 and over (OASDI)	38,468	37,089
Beneficiaries aged 65 and over (OASDI)	34,019	33,043

## C. AVERAGE MONTHLY FAMILY BENEFITS IN CURRENT-PAYMENT STATUS, DECEMBER 31, 2005

Selected family <sup>1</sup> group	Number of families [In thousands]	Average family benefit	Average number of beneficiaries per family
Retired worker alone	27,639	\$989	1.000
Retired worker and spouse, aged 62 and over	2,405	1,648	2.000
Disabled worker, spouse under age 65, and 1 or more children	86	1,571	3.942
Widowed parent and 2 children	56	2,049	3.000
Children of deceased worker <sup>2</sup>	1,108	879	1.352
Aged widow(er) alone	4,180	967	1.000

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## D. MEASURES OF PROTECTION

### 1. Coverage

About 161 million people will work in OASDI-covered employment in 2006.

About 96 out of 100 workers in paid employment and self-employment are covered or eligible for coverage under the program.

### 2. Benefit receipt among the elderly

As of December 31, 2005, about 91 percent of the population aged 65 and over were receiving benefits.

### 3. Protection for survivors of young workers

About 97 percent of persons aged 20-49 who worked in covered employment in 2005 have acquired survivorship protection for their children under age 18 (and surviving spouses caring for children under age 16).

### 4. Disability protection

About 91 percent of persons aged 21-64 who worked in covered employment in 2005 can count on monthly cash benefits if they suffer a severe and prolonged disability.

## E. OPERATIONS OF OASI AND DI TRUST FUNDS, COMBINED

[In billions]

	Calendar year 2004	Fiscal year 2005	Cumulative 1937 through end of—	
			Calendar year 2004	Fiscal year 2005
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$657.7</b>	<b>\$696.8</b>	<b>\$10,021.9</b>	<b>\$10,541.2</b>
Contributions	553.0	588.4	9,023.6	9,484.7
Other	104.7	108.3	998.3	1,056.5
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>501.6</b>	<b>523.3</b>	<b>8,335.1</b>	<b>8,732.3</b>
Benefit payments	493.3	514.2	8,154.8	8,544.3
OASI	415.0	430.4	7,153.1	7,478.7
DI	78.2	83.7	1,001.8	1,065.5
Other	8.4	9.1	180.2	188.1
<b>Assets, end of period</b>	<b>1,686.8</b>	<b>1,808.9</b>	<b>1,686.8</b>	<b>1,808.9</b>

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